

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA**

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SMUGGLING OF TIGER BONES
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether tiger bones are being smuggled to various Asian countries illegally;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to check the smuggling of tiger bones?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY)

- (a) Incidents of smuggling of bones and other body parts of tiger have come to light.
- (b) Details of seizures relating to tiger bones and other body parts collated from State reports are at Annexure-I.
- (c) The steps taken by the Government for protection of wildlife including smuggling of tiger bones are at Annexure-II.